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SUBJ: SECRETARY KISSINGER'S VISIT TO SPAIN-SECURITY ESTIMATES

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ATTN: CHIEF, A/SY/I/PIB

1. GENERAL POLITICAL SITUATION IS EXPECTED TO REMAIN STABLE IN SPAIN DURING PERIOD OF SECRETARY'S VISIT AND GENERAL PUBLIC REACTION EXPECTED BE VERY FAVORABLE. THERE HAVE BEEN SOME SMALL-SCALE ANTI-GOVERNMENT INCIDENTS OVER PAST SEVERAL WEEKS, INCLUDING SEVERAL STUDENT MANIFESTATIONS, LABOR DEMONSTRATIONS, CHURCH-RELATED PROTESTS AND, IN NORTHERN SPAIN, BASQUE TERRORIST INCIDENTS. WE HAVE REPORT OF POSSIBLE ATTEMPT BY COMMUNIST ELEMENTS TO PROVOKE NATIONAL STRIKE ON DECEMBER 12. SUCH ATTEMPTS HAVE BEEN MADE IN PAST YEARS WITHOUT SUCCESS. ANTI-U.S. SENTIMENT HAS NOT BEEN CONSPICUOUS ELEMENT OF RECENT ANTI-GOVERNMENT ACTIVITIES.

2. SECRETARY'S VISIT COULD PROVIDE PRETEXT FOR INJECTING ANTI-U.S. NOTE IN ANTI-GOVERNMENT MANIFESTATIONS BUT SECURITY FORCES CONSIDERED CAPABLE OF MAINTAINING FULL CONTROL. POLICE DO NOT ANTICIPATE DEMONSTRATIONS OR OTHER INCIDENTS WHICH MIGHT ENDANGER SECRETARY. HOWEVER, THEY ARE PREPARED TO DEAL WITH SUCH EVENTUALITIES AS POSSIBLE ATTEMPTS BY SMALL GROUPS OF STUDENTS TO DRAW ATTENTION BY FLASHING PLACARDS OR BY DERANGED INDIVIDUAL TO CREATE
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